

Visitor Services and Program Schedule: 2015

Visitor Center

Friday, January 2	to	Saturday, April 11	8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Sunday, April 12	to	Thursday, May 21	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Friday, May 22	to	Monday, September 7	7:30 am to 7:00 pm
Tuesday, September 8	to	Saturday, October 31	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday, November 1	to	Thursday, December 31	8:30 am to 4:30 pm

^{*}The Visitor Center is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

Chapin Mesa Archeological Museum

Friday, January 2	to	Friday, February 20	9:00 am to 4:30 pm
Saturday, February 21	to	Saturday, April 11	9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 12	to	Saturday, October 17	8:00 am to 6:30 pm
Sunday, October 18	to	Saturday, October 31	8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday, November 1	to	Thursday, December 31	9:00 am to 4:30 pm*

^{*}The museum is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

Spruce Tree House (no ticket required)

Free Ranger-guided Talks from Spruce Tree House Overlook

Friday, January 2 to Friday, February 20 10:30 am, 1:00 pm, and 3:00 pm Saturday, February 21 to Friday, March 6 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, and 3:30 pm Sunday, November 1 to Thursday, December 31 10:30 am, 1:00 pm, and 3:00 pm*

Balcony House Tours (ticket required)

(Purchase tickets at the Visitor Center, Morefield Ranger Station, or Colorado Welcome Center, Cortez.)

Friday, January 2	to	Saturday, April 11	Closed
Sunday, April 12	to	Saturday, May 2	9:00 am, 9:30 am, 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 3:30 pm, 4:00 pm
Sunday, May 3	to	Thursday, May 21	9:00 am to 5:00 pm; every hour and 9:30 am and 3:30 pm
Friday, May 22	to	Saturday, August 22	9:00 am to 5:00 pm; every 1/2 hour
Sunday, August 23	to	Saturday, October 17	9:00 am to 5:00 pm; every hour and 9:30 am and 3:30 pm
Sunday, October 18	to	Saturday, October 31	10:00 am to 4:00 pm; every hour
Sunday, November 1	to	Thursday, December 31	Closed

^{*}Additional tours will be added if possible.

Cliff Palace Tours (ticket required)

(Purchase tickets at the Visitor Center, Morefield Ranger Station, or Colorado Welcome Center, Cortez.)

Friday, January 2 to Thursday, May 21 Closed

Friday, May 22 to Sunday, September 13 9:00 am to 6:00 pm; every 1/2 hour

Monday, September 14 to Thursday, December 31 Closed*

Twilight Tours of Cliff Palace (ticket required)

(Reservations will be available online at <u>www.recreation.gov</u> in early March)

Sunday, May 24 to Thursday, July 23 7:15 pm Sunday, July 26 to Sunday, September 6 6:45 pm

Tours offered Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

Photography Tours of Cliff Palace (ticket required)

(Reservations will be available online at <u>www.recreation.gov</u> in early March)

Friday, May 22 to Saturday, July 25 7:15 pm Friday, July 31 to Saturday September 5 6:45 pm

Tours offered Friday and Saturday.

[^]Entrance fees will be collected here from January 11 through March 6, 2015.

^{*}Spruce Tree House talks are not available Christmas and New Year's Day.

^{*}Due to the complexity and location of the preservation work needed at Cliff Palace this fall, the cliff dwelling will close for the season on September 14. For information on the Cliff Palace preservation project, visit our website at http://go.nps.gov/cliff.

Morefield Ranger Station

Sunday, May 24 to Saturday, August 29 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm daily

Evening Program at Morefield Campground

Saturday, May 23 to Sunday, July 26 9:00 pm to 10:00 pm Monday, July 27 to Sunday, August 23 8:30 pm to 9:30 pm Monday, August 24 to Sunday, September 6 8:15 pm to 9:15 pm

Educational Tours for School Groups by Advance Arrangement

Balcony House

Monday, April 13 to Thursday, May 21 Variable schedule, call 970-529-5079 for information Tuesday, September 8 to Saturday, October 17 Variable schedule, call 970-529-5079 for information

Wetherill Mesa

This year, Wetherill Mesa will offer seasonal opportunities. Be sure to pick up a Wetherill Mesa Visitor Guide when you arrive. It will contain a map and information about the best way to visit this part of the park.

SPRING and FALL (Wetherill Mesa Road* open 8:00 am to 6:00 pm)

Friday, May 1 (or as soon as weather/road conditions permit) to Thursday, May 21 Sunday, September 20 to Friday, October 31 (earlier if weather/road conditions close the road)

In spring and fall, Wetherill Mesa Road is open self-guided (no services) when the weather permits, and the 5-mile, paved "Long House Loop" is open for hiking and bicycle riding. The alcove sites are closed until summer, but other existing trails are open for hiking.

SUMMER (Wetherill Mesa Road* open 8:00 am to sunset)

Friday, May 22 to Monday, September 7

Wetherill Mesa Information Kiosk 9:00 am to 6:30 pm

Long House Tour** (ticket required) 9:30 am, 10:30 am, 2:00 pm, and 4:00 pm

Step House, Self-guided 9:45 am to 4:15 pm

LATE SUMMER (Wetherill Mesa Road* open 8:00 am to 6:00 pm)

Tuesday, September 8 to Saturday, September 19

Long House Tour** (ticket required) 9:30 am and 2:00 pm
Step House, Self-guided 9:45 am to 4:00 pm

Special Backcountry Hikes (ticket required)

(Reservations will be available online at <u>www.recreation.gov</u> in early March)

Square Tower House

Sunday, May 3 to Sunday, May 24 at 8:00 am Saturday and Sunday

Thursday, September 10 to Sunday, October 18 at 8:00 am Thursday and Sunday

Oak Tree House

Tuesday, May 26 to Saturday, September 5 at 8:00 am Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday

Wetherill Mesa Bike and Hike Adventure

Wednesday, May 27 to Sunday, September 6 at 9:30 am Wednesday and Sunday

Luminaria Holiday Open House

Thursday, December 10

4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

^{*} Bicycles are not allowed on the narrow, steep, and winding Wetherill Mesa Road.

^{**} There is no tram service this summer, so the Long House tour has been modified. Ranger-guided tour lasts about two hours and involves hiking at least 2.25 miles (3.6 km) round-trip.